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Installation Protection Program—Guardian

Synopsis

The Installation Protection Program (IPP) is one of DoD's first efforts to field robust chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) protection capability to DoD installations worldwide. Approximately 200 DoD-owned or -leased facilities are included on the IPP schedule for execution by FY11. The program, managed by the Joint Program Executive Office for Chem/Bio Defense and executed through the Joint Program Manager—Guardian, is commonly referred to as "Guardian." The Army serves as program manager.

Who Directed IPP—Guardian?

The Guardian Program was directed by the 12 Dec 02 Program Decision Memorandum-1 (PDM-1) to provide 'near highest level' of CBRN protection for 200 DoD installations to protect personnel, maintain critical military operations, and restore essential operations as quickly as possible. The Air Force is apportioned 64 of those installations. The Joint Requirements Office worked with the services to prioritize 185 CONUS and 15 OCONUS installations. PDM-1 committed \$1.04B to fielding the family of systems and executing program requirements for all 200 installations, and allocated funds to each service to sustain Guardian-fielded capability over the FYDP (FY04-FY09) for all services.

What Is the Focus of Guardian?

Because Guardian is constrained by funding and resources, the program's focus is on mission assurance and consequence management to mitigate terrorist threats against critical missions and essential operations. Guardian will focus on point-release attacks, limited in scope and effect. Threats include biological warfare agents, standard chemical agents, radiological material (dirty bomb) and toxic industrial chemicals.

What Does Guardian Provide?

The Guardian Program will provide an effective CBRN installation protection capability consisting of detection, identification, warning, protection, and decontamination of chemical, biological, and radiological agents; CBRN information management; and medical protection, surveillance and response. It will also improve Emergency First Responder (medical, fire, hazmat, security) capability. Guardian will leverage existing physical security, logistics, sustainment, maintenance and C3I capabilities to maximize effectiveness while reducing the resource impact (time, funding and personnel) on the installation. Guardian will also train personnel on the new systems and work closely with the installation to enhance emergency response procedures provided in CONOPs.

How Do I Know When Guardian Is Coming to My Installation?

The actual schedule is somewhat fluid. Most FY04/05 bases have already started the fielding process and will be completed in FY05/06. Here is a list of those bases:

FY 04: Andrews AFB, MD; Langley AFB, VA; Robins AFB, GA; Pope AFB, NC; Tinker AFB, OK; McChord AFB, WA, and Wright-Patterson AFB, OH.

FY 05: Barksdale AFB, LA; Hickman AFB, HI; Holloman AFB, NM; Eglin AFB, FL, Hurlburt Field, FL; Peterson AFB, CO.

The schedule and a directory of points of contact is posted on the Air Force Portal; go to the Full Spectrum Threat Response Community of Practice and look for the Guardian directory. For help in joining the community, send a message to **FSTR.HelpDesk@tyndall.af.mil**.